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# prevalent

One entry found for **prevalent**.

Main Entry: **prev·a·lent** 

Pronunciation: -l&nt

Function: *adjective*

Etymology: Latin *praevalent-*, *praevalens* very powerful,  
from present participle of *praevalere*

1 *archaic* : **POWERFUL**

2 : being in ascendancy : **DOMINANT**

3 : generally or widely accepted, practiced, or favored :

**WIDESPREAD**

- **prevalent** *noun*

- **prev·a·lent·ly** *adverb*